

## APPOINTMENT OF STATE OFFICER VACANCIES

When notification is received of a vacancy in a state officer position, the state adviser will implement one of two procedures to assist the executive council members in making an appointment to fill the vacancy.

The state adviser will contact the advisers of all the candidates who ran unsuccessfully for the same office at the preceding state leadership conference. If the local advisers approve and the former candidates are interested in being considered for the appointment, their names will be submitted to the executive council members for balloting.

If the vacancy occurs preceding the summer executive council meeting, the appointment will be made from the list of names who are eligible and interested as stated in previous paragraphs. A simple majority vote of council members in attendance will be necessary to make the appointment.

Should the vacancy occur at another time, the state adviser will prepare a ballot to be mailed to the executive council members containing the names of the former candidates for this office from the preceding leadership conference who are eligible and interested. Council members will be allowed one vote each. A simple majority of valid ballots returned by the deadline stated on the ballot will determine the winner.

Generally, former candidates will be asked to write a paragraph of their activities at any or all levels of FBLA. This will be sent with the ballot as a reacquaintance procedure for council members. Activities other than FBLA will not be included.

Should there be no eligible candidate, the executive council will appoint a person from the executive council to fill the vacancy.